

Cutler Hall
Ohio University
Athens, Ohio
September 10, 1952

The Board of Trustees of Ohio University held a special meeting on September 10, 1952, in Cutler Hall, Athens, Ohio.

Chairman Bush called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m. The following members were present: Messrs. Harvey Jordan, C. Don McVay, M. L. Frederick, John D. Galbroath, and Fred H. Johnson. Also present were President John C. Baker, Messrs. D. T. Grover, L. P. Louscho, Earl C. Shively, and Paul E. O'Brien.

Messrs. E. C. Eikenberry, Joseph B. Hall, and Fred W. Crow were absent.

Chairman Bush welcomed Harvey B. Jordan as a new member of the Board of Trustees of Ohio University. Mr. Bush explained that he had invited Mr. Shively to participate in this meeting because of Mr. Shively's familiarity with the Hinkle Bill and the possibility of Ohio University obtaining funds under it.

The Secretary read the following correction to the minutes of the June 7, 1952, meeting: On page 11 of the minutes as sent out by the Secretary, under the President's Report, the following sentence should be deleted:

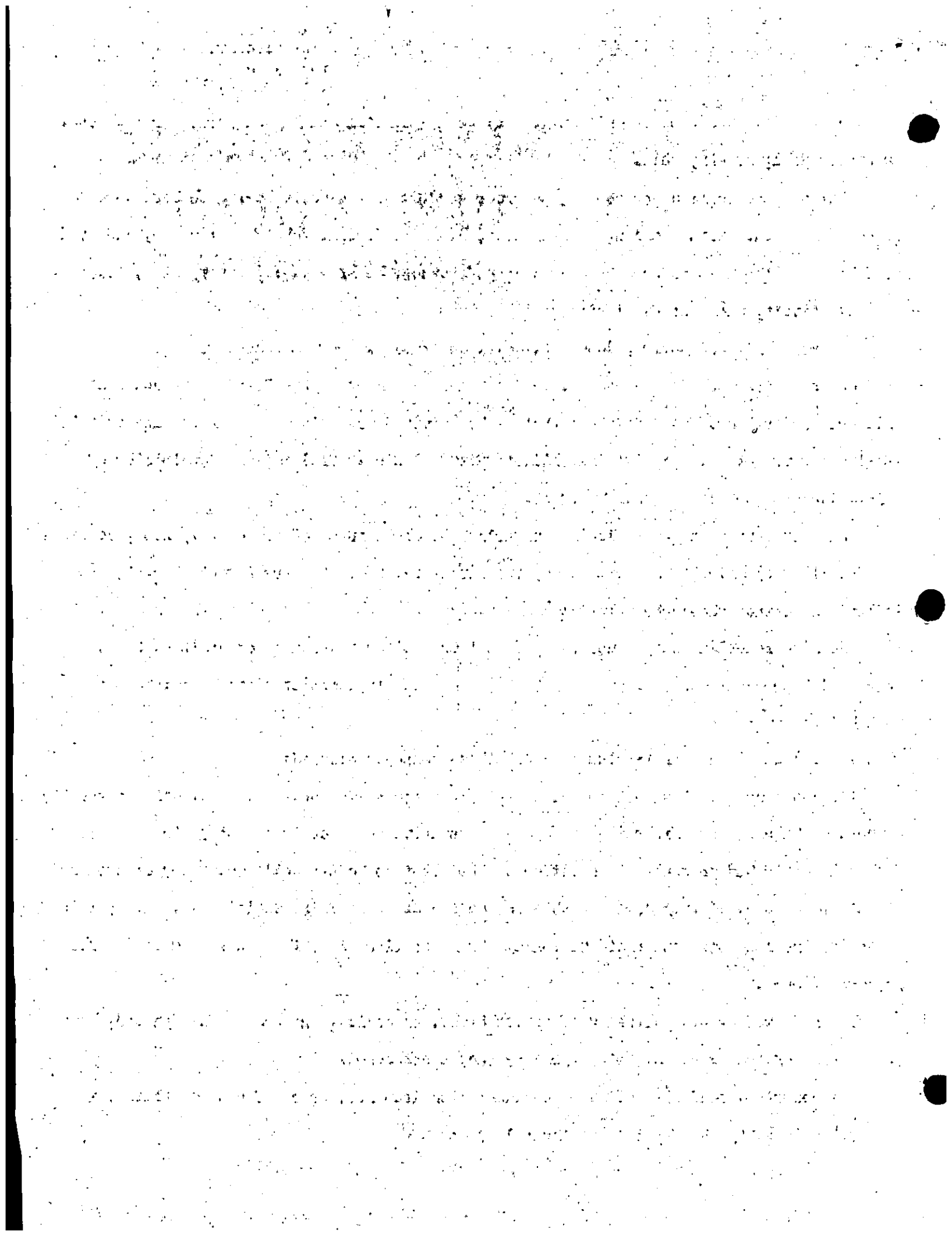
"He also reported that he was carrying out the policy previously established by the Board which prohibits the employment of husband and wife in administrative capacities at Ohio University."

The following was substituted in lieu of the sentence deleted:

"It was also reported that he was carrying out the traditional policy of Ohio University concerning husband and wife being in top administrative and faculty positions in the University. President Baker had presented this matter to the Trustees individually about a year ago, and at this time asked if they cared to take any action or to reaffirm their policy. They felt no action was necessary and that the policy should continue in effect as it had been followed in recent years."

It was moved by Mr. Galbroath, seconded by Mr. Frederick, and unanimously passed, that the minutes of the previous meeting be approved as corrected.

The Secretary read the following communication from Mrs. Grace P. Biddle relative to the action taken by the Trustees at their last meeting.



Utah Place
Athens, Ohio
July 1, 1952

Mr. Paul R. O'Brien
Secretary, Board of Trustees
Ohio University

Dear Mr. O'Brien:

Dr. Biddle wishes me to acknowledge receipt of your letter of June 19th and to ask you to convey to the members of the Board of Trustees our deep appreciation of the kindly sentiment expressed therein.

It is consoling and gratifying to be so remembered at the meetings of the Board. There was no association Dr. Biddle gave up more reluctantly.

We send our grateful thanks for your continued interest and our good wishes.

Most sincerely yours,

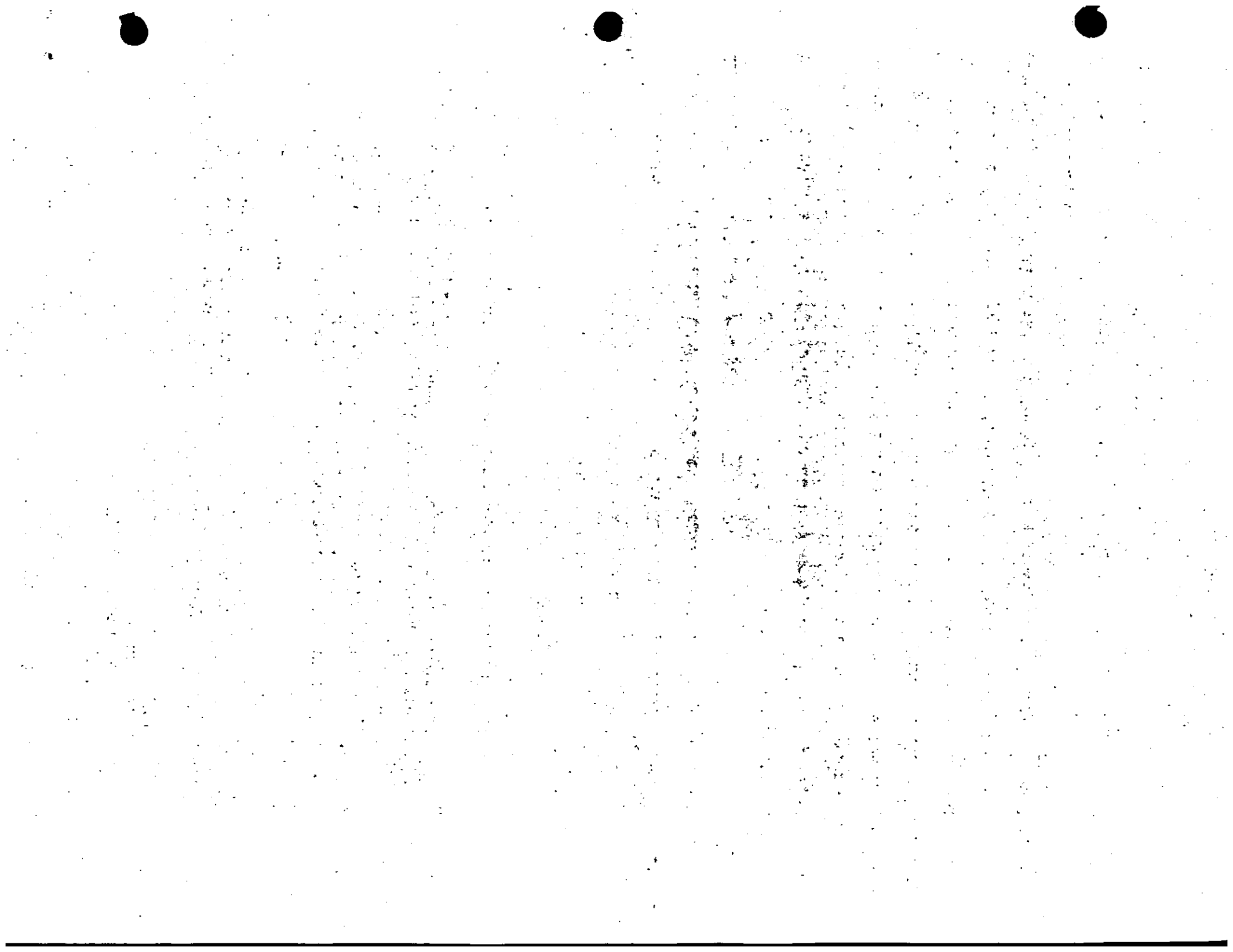
/s/ Grace P. Biddle

The Chairman called for a report of the Planning, Building, and Land Purchase Committee. Mr. Johnson, Chairman of this Committee, asked President Baker to report on the extent of dormitory needs at Ohio University.

President Baker reported that all indications show the trend of future enrollment to be upward, and that now, with our enrollment at the lowest point since 1945, we are housing less than one half of our students in permanent dormitory units. He also reported that parents now demand better housing facilities for their sons and daughters than they did in the past. These facts are sufficient to show the need for additional dormitory facilities.

Chairman Johnson presented sketches prepared by the architectural firm of Potter, Tylor, Martin, and Roth, showing a proposed men's dormitory to be located on the East Green; an addition to Johnson Hall on the East Green; and a proposed girl's dormitory to be located on College Street.

Mr. Shively was asked to report on the possibility of borrowing money on the Hinkley Bill for the purpose of erecting dormitories.

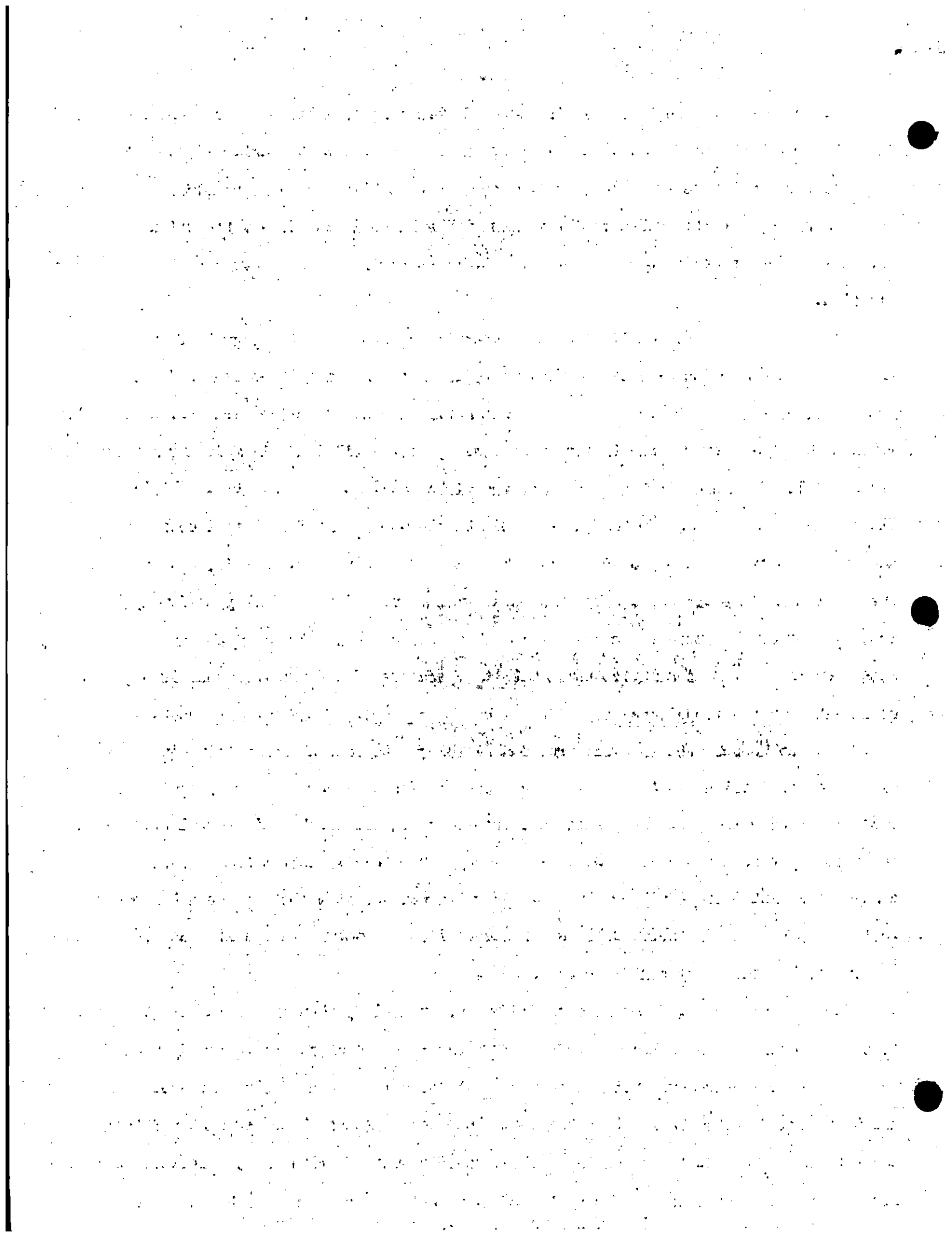


Mr. Shively reported that Mr. Hinkle and Governor Lausche had had a conference on September 9 relative to the release of money under this Bill to the Universities. The Governor would not agree to releasing the money at this time, however, he did not say that he would not approve the release of this money at a later date. It was the opinion of Mr. Shively that there is still an even chance of obtaining Hinkle money after the November election.

Mr. O'Brien reported on the financial operations of the dormitory system. He reported that if the dormitories produced the same rate of excess revenues that they did during the year ended June 30, 1952, we would be able to retire a Million Dollar three per cent serial revenue bond issue over a twenty-five year period, plus a Million Dollar loan under the Hinkle Bill. In the event the loan under the Hinkle Bill is not available, a Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollar bond issue could be financed. The following factors aid materially in making this possible: (1) the new wing on Lindley Hall which will be used for the first time in 1953; (2) Johnson Hall that will be used for the full year 1953; (3) the fourth-floor of the Student Center building that will house 35 girls; beginning in September, 1954; and (4) the new facilities built with the proceeds of the proposed bond issue, which would make 248 additional spaces available, based on a cost of \$4000 per student.

Mr. Lausche reported that the proposed buildings, to cost approximately \$4000 per student, were good dormitories and that he felt the Board of Trustees were getting a good value in these proposed buildings. He pointed out that some schools are building dormitories at a lower cost per student than \$4000, but that many other schools were building dormitories costing from \$6000 to \$8000 per student. He explained that the cost of these buildings would be approximately twelve dollars per square foot, or between one dollar and forty cents and one dollar and fifty cents per cubic foot.

It was moved by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Frederick, that the Administrative Officers of the University be authorized to borrow from the State Teachers Retirement System, the Public Employees Retirement System, and the Public School Employees Retirement System an amount not to exceed \$1,200,000, and that they be authorized to issue three per cent Dormitory Revenue Bonds in an amount not to exceed \$1,200,000, payable over a period of 25 years, for the purpose of erecting two units on the East Green that will house 124 men each, and to rehabilitate Howard Hall. This motion passed unanimously. 96



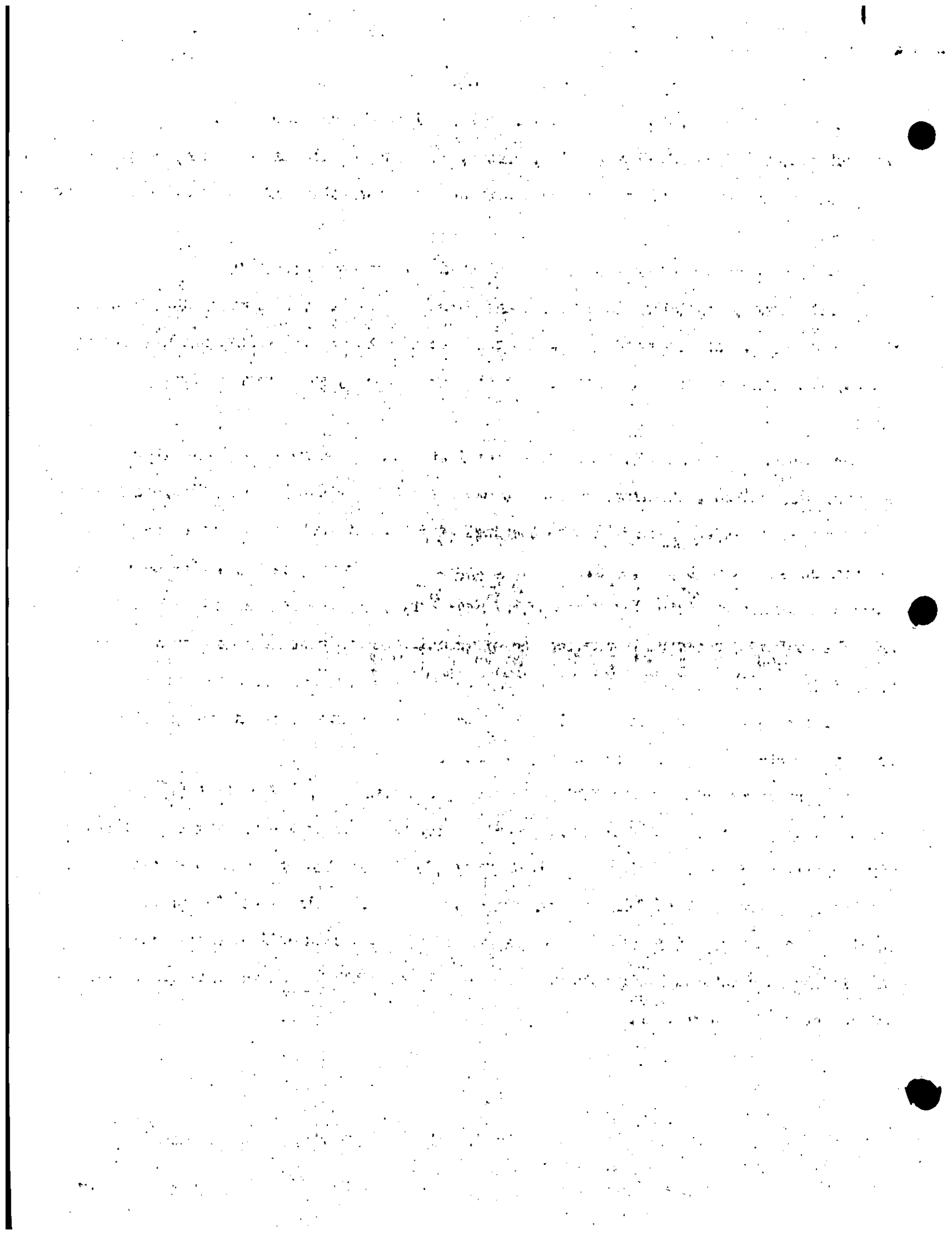
It was moved by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Galbreath, and unanimously passed, that the architectural firm of Potter, Tyler, Martin, and Roth, of Cincinnati, Ohio, be employed to prepare plans and specifications and supervise the construction of two dormitories on the East Green.

Mr. Johnson presented an option from Katherine Fierco on property located at 10 Stewart Street, consisting of a house, and a lot approximately 49 feet by 100 feet, for the sum of \$6500. It was moved by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Frederick, and unanimously passed, that this property be purchased for the sum of \$6500, to be payable from dormitory funds.

Mr. Lauscho was asked for a report on the foot-bridge. He reported that after surmounting many difficulties, an allotment for the steel for this bridge had been obtained for the third quarter of 1952, however, due to the steel strike, shipment of this steel has been delayed and in all probability will not be shipped before January 1, 1953. The contractor, Charles S. Rataloff Construction Company, of ReArthur, Ohio, has requested to be released from the contract, however, if the contractor is able to obtain steel in the near future, it is felt that Mr. Rataloff will comply with the terms of his contract.

Mr. Jordan reported that he will attempt to obtain an early shipment on the steel from the American Bridge Company, to Mr. Rataloff.

Mr. Grover reported on the Athletic Building Program. He reported that (1) the press box will be completed this fall; (2) the water proofing of the stadium is well under way and will be completed before the first game; (3) the new locker rooms under the stadium will be ready for use this fall; and (4) progress on the new golf course is satisfactory and the necessary pipe for watering the greens and tees had been delivered and will be laid in the near future. He reported that it may be possible to use the new golf course the latter part of next year.



Mr. O'Brien reported on the extension of the present lease on the East State Street property with the Athens County Commissioners. It was pointed out that the Commissioners had leased the ground on which building No. 15 is located to the Disabled American Veterans Organization. This lease was granted subject to the lease now held by Ohio University, and when the present lease held by the Trustees of Ohio University expires the lease to the Disabled American Veterans becomes operative, therefore, any new lease between Ohio University and the County Commissioners cannot include the ground on which building No. 15 is located.

It was moved by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Galbreath, that the Administrative Officers of Ohio University be authorized to make the best lease possible with the Athens County Commissioners for the remaining ground now under lease on East State Street. This motion passed unanimously.

The Secretary presented the following bequest proposal from Mary A. Stalder and Sarah H. Stalder.

BEQUEST

We the grantors of this property to the Ohio University of Athens, Ohio,
to-wit:

Two tracts of land of approximately two acres of oak-hickory timber land in each tract, situate in Farm Lots Nos. 209 and 210 in Athens Township, Athens County, Ohio.

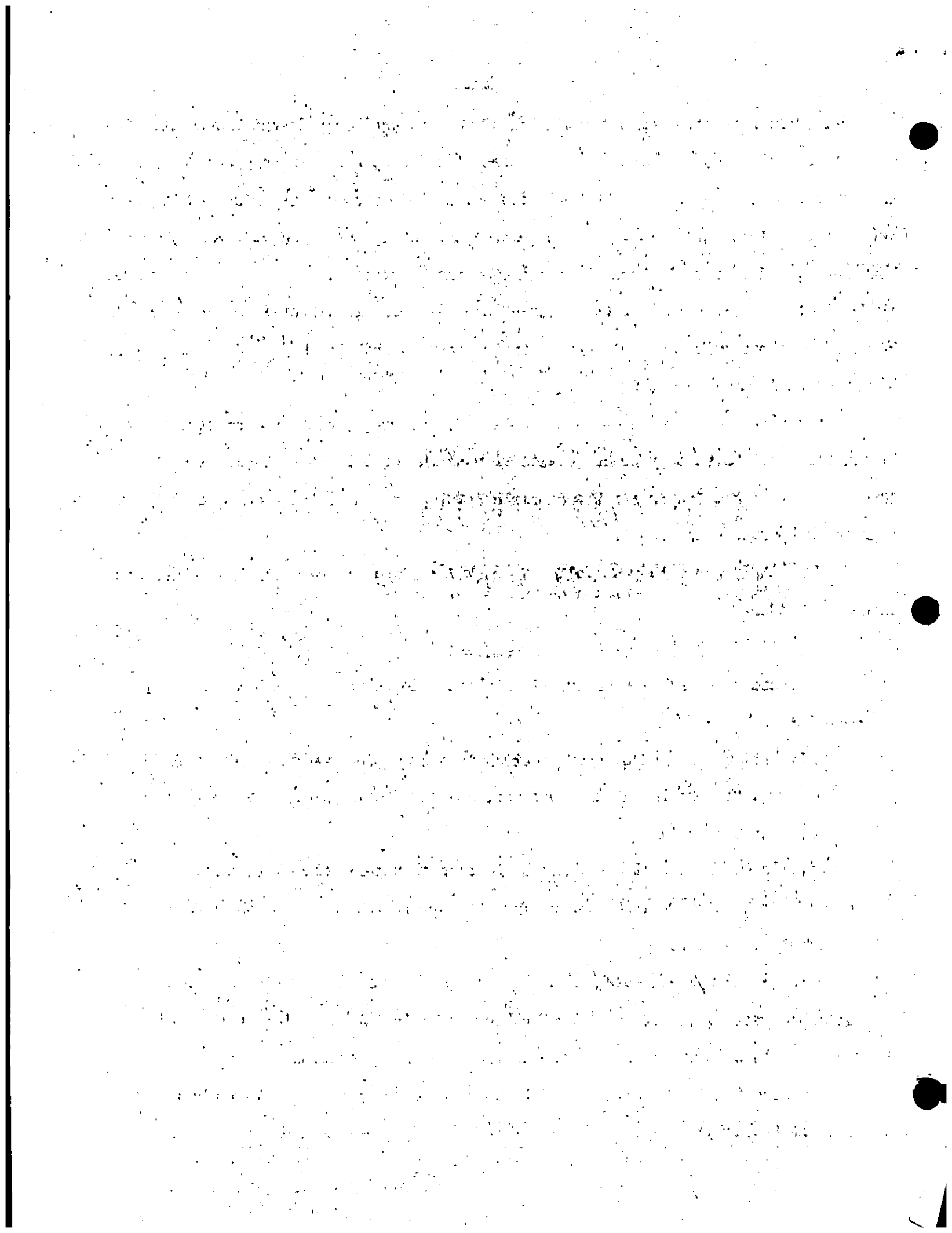
It is our wish that the tract be kept as an experimental forest and a natural area and that it be named "The Stalder Arboretum" in commemoration of Harry G. Stalder.

It is our understanding that the land and its timber has been appraised at approximately \$1400. The grantors could not include the mineral rights to said premises as these rights were not owned by the grantors.

A certain mineral spring said to have medicinal properties is included in the first tract.

Grantors,

Mary A. Stalder
Sarah H. Stalder



Mr. McVay moved, seconded by Mr. Jordan, that the proposed gift of Mary A. Stalder and Sarah M. Stalder be accepted with thanks. This motion carried unanimously.

The Chairman called the roll of members for comment. Mr. Galbreath expressed his pleasure in having Mr. Jordan as a member of the Board of Trustees. Mr. Galbreath reported that he was attending a meeting of the Trustees of the Ohio University Fund, Inc. immediately after this meeting and that he intended to make a gift to the Ohio University Fund of land located in Mahoning County that could be converted into cash by the Ohio University Fund. He requested that there be no publicity regarding the gift at this time.

The Chairman then suggested a rising vote of thanks to Mr. Galbreath for this fine gift. The Trustees all joined in expressing their gratitude to Mr. Galbreath, and expressed hope that the purpose for which the gift was being made could be realized soon.

Mr. Frederick, Mr. McVay, and Mr. Johnson had no comments.

Mr. Jordan expressed his happiness at becoming a member of the Board of Trustees of Ohio University.

Mr. Bush reported on an editorial he had from the Akron Beacon Journal referring to the fact that the Ohio State University Trustees did not permit a reporter to sit in a meeting of their Board that was being held on Gibraltar Island. Mr. Bush asked for the advice of the Board on how to handle this situation in the event that we should receive a similar request. It seemed to be the consensus of the Board that in the event a reporter requested admission to a meeting of the Trustees of Ohio University that he be permitted to attend the meeting. It was pointed out that if there were any private matters to be discussed the Trustees felt that any legitimate reporter would honor any request of the Board to consider the discussion off-the-record.

The Chairman then asked for prospective dates for the October meeting of the Trustees. It was finally agreed that the next meeting of the Board of Trustees would be held on October 24, 1952, at Athens, Ohio, at 2 p.m.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.


Secretary

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